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IN FAO CONFERENCE

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- 1. FAO CONTACT GROUP HAS FINISHED MEETING ON RESOLUTIONS ON REDUCTION OF FUND LOSSES FUND (PHL) AND SPECIAL RESERVE ACCOUNT AND AGREED TO LANGUAGE REPORTED REFTELS WITH MODIFICATIONS AS LISTED IN PARAS BELOW.
- 2. SAUDIS REPORTEDLY MADE A STRONG STATEMENT ON BEHALF OPEC WITHIN G-77 TO EFFECT THEY COULD NOT GO ALONG WITH THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL FUND. ACCORDINGLY, G-77 NOW WANTS PHL FUND TO BE CALLED AN 'ACCOUNT4/ (AFTER RESISTING FOR WEEKS OUR SUGGESTIONS THAT 'PROGRAM' BE ACCENTED). WE AGREED TO THIS CHANGE AND TO INSERTION OF PREAMBULAR REFERENCE TO 7TH UNGA SPECIAL SESSION'S CALL FOR A PHL PROGRAM. THIS ACTUALLY HELPS ACCENT THE POSTHARVEST EMPHASIS. NEW PREAMBULAR READS: RECALLING PARAGRAPH V.3 OF RESOLUTION NO. 3362(S-VII) OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS, WHICH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STATED THAT THE FURTHER REDUCTION OF POST-HARVEST FOOD LOSSES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN AS A MATTER OF PRIORITY, WITH A VIEW TO REACHING AT LEAST A 50 PERCENT REDUCTION BY 1985.

3. FAO LEGAL DIVISION HAS MADE SOME MINOR TEXTUAL DECISIONS WHICH WILL BE CONSIDERED BY RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

THIS AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 25.

4. COMMENT: THIS RESOLUTION SEEMS TO BE IN GOOD SHAPE
NOW AND ALL IN GENEVA GROUP SUPPORT IT. FURTHERMORE,
ALL EXCEPT JAPANESE ARE NOW READY EITHER TO LEAVE THEIR
SHARE OF DOLLARS 10 MILLION IN OR MAKE A VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION
GREATER THAN SHARE THEY WITHDREW. SPECIAL RESERVE ACCOUNT RESOLUTION UNCHANGED FROM REFTEL (A) EXCEPT FOR
MINOR DRAFTING CHANGES. HOWEVER, GERMANY, JAPAN, AND
CANADA MAY ABSTAIN ON IT. GARDNER

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